

Date: September 2, 2024

Subject: CEN24LA332

Contact: Platte County Sheriff's Office Deputies - Report Excerpts

- Deputies from the Platte County Sheriff's Office arrived on scene to find the Apex Cross 5X aircraft crashed inverted into the northwest corner of the garage.
- The envelope/wing of the aircraft was partially separated and found on the ground, outside and adjacent to the garage.
- Fuel was observed leaking from the fuel tank on the aircraft.
- Witness Eric Dake - reported to deputies that he spoke with the pilot before the flight and did not note anything abnormal. He watched the aircraft take off and fly toward the residence. He observed the aircraft fly low to the ground and never climbed higher. He did not witness the impact with the garage.
- Witness Dayro Varela Nunez - reported that he was flying at the same time as the pilot. He took off first and flew west and then east. He watched as the aircraft descended and did not climb back up. He did not witness the impact.
- Witnesses Karen & Robert Edmison - owned the airstrip where the pilot departed on the accident flight. They provided permission for the pilot to use the airstrip. The pilot stated to them that he had just purchased the trike and had no previous experience flying aircraft.